

# PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

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08/904124

## CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	minus 20=	*
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	minus 3 =	*
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input type="checkbox"/>		

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SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	285.00
X\$ 9=	
X\$18=	
X\$40=	
+135=	
TOTAL	

RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	770.00
X\$18=	
X\$40=	
+270=	
TOTAL	

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

(Column 3)

AMENDMENT	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	* 30	Minus ** 22	= 8
Independent	* 3	Minus *** 3	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X\$40=	
+135=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	144
X\$80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

(Column 3)

AMENDMENT	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X\$40=	
+135=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X\$80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

(Column 3)

AMENDMENT	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	*	Minus **	=
Independent	*	Minus ***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X\$40=	
+135=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X\$80=	
+270=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

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Application Number	08/004,121
Filing Date	July 31, 1997
First Named Inventor	VRZALIK, John H.
Art Unit	3677
Examiner Name	HO, Thomas Y.
Attorney Docket Number	BAR.285.US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 5003325
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- i. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
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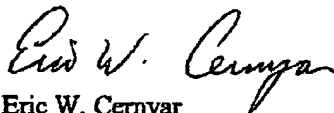
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is patentable over the recited combination for many of the reasons noted with respect to claim 1.  
It will also be evident that claim 24 is patentable over the recited combination for many of the reasons noted with respect to claim 19.

In view of the foregoing arguments, Applicant respectfully asks that the Examiner withdraw the § 103 rejections. Believing that all matters raised in the Examiner's October 20, 2003, Office Action, have been addressed, Applicant respectfully asks that the claims be allowed and passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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